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Broad Sheets of Flame/ Ugly Flashes of Fire Dart Over Area of Action

So Effective Has Been British Artillery That Prisoners Taken Say it Has Destroyed German Communicating Trenches That the Germans Have Been Unable to Bring up Food to Their Front Line For Three Days

BAVARIAN TROOPS SAID TO HAVE MUTINIED

The Fourth Day of British Bombardment of German Positions Sees no Diminution of the Volumes of Fire—British Appear to be Firing Two Shells to Every One German—Correspondent Tells of What he Saw

LONDON (from British Headquarters in France), July 1.—Through the night, covered by continuous bombardment, the British this week have taken prisoners, and identified every German battalion opposite their lines. Some prisoners say the British fire has been so heavy that it has destroyed the communicating trenches and the Germans have been unable to bring up food to their front line for three days. It is stated the Germans have withdrawn from their Verdun front the 11th Bavarian Division and 2nd Reserve Corps and from their Champagne front the Tenth Corps for reinforcements to Field Marshal von Hindenburg on the Russian front. It is stated it is probable also that three additional divisions were sent to Russia from the British front recently. One report has it that the 11th Bavarian Division refused to attack Verdun again, whereupon an order was issued that every tenth man was to be shot, but that the King of Bavaria intervened and Emperor William decided the 11th Division should go to the Eastern front. There has been no cessation of the British bombardment along the whole line from the Ypres salient to the Somme in the last 24 hours. Weather continues overcast, with now and then rain squalls. Whenever a correspondent has gone along the line the British appeared to be firing two shells to the Germans' one. At some points in the face of British concentration the German guns have seemed strangely silent, as if awaiting events. The fourth day of the British bombardment of German positions sees no diminution of the volume of fire, which continues along the whole line without cessation day and night, cutting barbed wire entanglements, demolishing the

first and second line of German trenches, and placing curtains of fire on roads and communicating trenches, considerably over a million shells a day being expended. There seems to be no limit to the supply of them. British infantry actions have been limited thus far to raids under cover of artillery trench mortar fire, which ascertain the state of German wire in front of their trenches. Last night the sky from twenty to thirty miles in the rear toward the east was brilliant, as though with the glare of aurora borealis. From dusk to dawn this was the only illumination along the roads for the movement of trucks and automobiles, none of which carried lights. From a point near a group of batteries the correspondent witnessed a scene of grandeur under the canopy of a cloudless night, with broad sheets of flame and ugly flashes of fire darting over the whole area of action. Today the sun breaking through an overcast sky for the first time in three days, is welcome to artillery guns necessary to level trenches and destroy concrete shelters, while the range of machine guns is far more extensive.

LOYD GEORGE'S APPOINTMENT IS DECIDED ON

His Transfer to the War Ministry Will Involve Some Changes—Irish Situation Much Easier Now and no Other Cabinet Resignations Are Expected Says The Daily Chronicle

LONDON, July 1.—Details of the appointment of David Lloyd George to Minister of War have been settled. The Daily Chronicle says today the appointment will be announced shortly. The transfer of Lloyd George to the War Ministry also will involve changes in Under Secretarships now held by Harold J. Tennant and Henry W. Forster, and will also bring a new Minister of Munitions. The Daily Chronicle also says the Irish situation is so far cleared up that it is able to assert, the Cabinet crisis is past, and that there will be no further resignations.

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The British Launch Big Offensive Over 20 Mile Front North of Somme

The Assault Was Preceded by Terrific Bombardment—British Troops Capture German Front Line and Take Many Prisoners—Their Advances Continuing—As Yet no Particulars of the Assault Are to Hand—New British Trench Mortars Play Great Part in Cutting Wire Entanglement and Destroying Trenches—British Attack Was Launched as Though Men Were on Parade

BRITISH HEADQUARTERS IN FRANCE, July 1.—A tremendous British offensive was launched at half past seven this morning over a front extending twenty miles north of the Somme. The assault was preceded by a terrific bombardment. British troops already have occupied the German front line and have captured many prisoners. The terrific bombardment which preceded the attack lasted a whole hour and a half. It is too early as yet to give any particulars of the fighting which is developing in intensity. The British casualties have, so far, been comparatively light, according to official reports.

The artillery bombardment of last few days was concentrated this morning with a degree of fury and number of guns which were unprecedented, in the region of Albert and the Somme, with the French co-operating to the south. At 7.30 o'clock, while rough clouds of smoke and dust, which hung over the whole field as far as the eye could see, the infantry sprang from the trenches for an assault over a front of twenty miles, and already it has gained possession of the first line of trenches and the advance is continuing. The new British trench mortars played a great part in cutting the wire entanglement and destroying trenches. Large numbers of prisoners have been taken. Some of the prisoners been taken say the British curtains of fire prevented them from getting food for the last five days. A British staff officer who witnessed the advance at the junction of the French and British lines, said the attack was launched as though the men were on parade.

OFFICIAL CASUALTY LIST FIRST NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT

NOT PREVIOUSLY REPORTED
524 Private Heber Cuff, Bonavista. Admitted 10th General Hospital Rouen, June 24th. Gunshot wound, thigh.
490 Private Fred. Keel, Bonavista. Admitted 1st Australian General Hospital, Rouen, June 24th. Shell wound in arm.
PREVIOUSLY REPORTED
1668 Private Frank Adey, Clarendville, T.B. Previously reported with sharp wound, June 17th. Now reported admitted to 2nd Birmingham War Hospital, Northfield. Wounded in arm and chest.

JOHN R. BENNETT, Colonial Secretary.

AUSTRIANS FLEE PANIC-STRICKEN

Russians Capture Obertine 14 Miles N.E. of Kolomea—Czar's Troops Pursuing Austrians who Have Left Behind Them in the Retreat Large Convoys of War Material

PETROGRAD, June 30.—In the region south of the Dniester we are pursuing the enemy. The Austrians, panic-stricken in their flight, are leaving behind a large number of convoys and military material. More prisoners have been brought in according to telegrams received here, and the town of Obertine has been taken after a fight, as well as villages in the neighborhood north and south. Northwest of the confluence of the rivers Lipa and Styur our detachments, under command of Colonel Grembezky, approached unopposed, and put the garrison of Cobvane to bayonet. We took possession of the village, from which the enemy fled in panic. Some prisoners were taken by us.

LONDON, June 30.—Obertine, the capture of which is reported in today's official Russian communication, is 14 miles north-east of Kolomea. The occupation of this town by the Russians represents a further gain in their new drive over a 25 mile front, which according to yesterday's Russian and Austrian communications, forced the Austrians to retire on part of the front. Although there are reports that the Russians captured Kolomea, they lack official confirmation.

PETROGRAD, June 30.—The War Office announced today the capture of the town of Obertine, south of the Dniester River, and of villages north and south of that point.

Big Newspaper Campaign For Red Cross Fund

LONDON, June 20.—The Red Cross Fund, inaugurated by the London Times, today reached a total of twenty million dollars, the largest sum for work of this kind ever raised in a newspaper campaign. British farmers subscribed \$125,000.

Russians Capture Galician Town

PETROGRAD, June 30.—The Russians have captured the town of Kolomea, in East Galicia, according to the Russian official communication issued today.

that King George had directed Sir Roger to be degraded from his order of knighthood.

Big Gains for Allies On 3 Most Important Fronts Now Chronicled

French Again Capture Thiaumont Work and the British Keep Up Bombardment of the German Trenches—Russians Have taken Kolomea, an Important Railway Junction Leading to Lemberg—Italians Continue Their Advance in Trentino Region

STRUGGLE FOR THIAUMONT WAS MOST SEVERE ONE

Violent Bombardment Marked Fighting on Sector Hill 304—British Expend Over Million Shells a Day on German Positions From Ypres to the Somme—Italians Make Big Capture Stores, Arms and Munitions

LONDON, July 1.—Successes for the Entente Allies on the three most important European fronts—in France, the Italian theatre, and in East Galicia—are chronicled in the latest official communications. The French and British continue their raids against the Germans in France, the French again having captured the Thiaumont work, north-east of Verdun, and the British having kept up their bombardments of the German trenches and their incursions into German positions by raiding parties. The Russians have taken Kolomea, the important railway junction leading to Lemberg, in Galicia. The Italians continue to advance against the Austrians in the Trentino region. The struggle for the possession of Thiaumont Wood, taken by the German Crown Prince's forces from the French a week ago, was most severe, the position changing hands several times. Incessant fighting and violent bombardments marked the fighting on the remainder of the front around Verdun, particularly on the sector of Hill 304. The British are keeping up their tactics of destroying by artillery

the German first and second line trenches from Ypres to the Somme. It is unofficially reported the British are expending over a million shells a day on this work. In addition to the capture of Kolomea, the Russians also have taken the town of Obertine, north-east of Kolomea, and several other villages north and south of that point. On the front in Russia, from the Galician border to the region of Riga, there have been battles at various points, but with no decisive results. The Italians have taken Griso, and several mountain positions south-east of Trent. Their advance against the Austrians also resulted in the capture of nearly a thousand prisoners, as well as stores, arms and munitions. Vienna claims only the repulse of attacks in this sector. An unofficial report of a battle between the Russian and German squadrons in the Baltic, south of Stockholm, on Thursday night has been received in Stockholm.

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After the Rich Ones

LONDON, July 1.—To-day the Trades Congress passed a resolution moved by William J. Thorne, Labor Member of Parliament, calling upon the Government to take steps for the conscription of riches by large increases in the tax on incomes of more than £500 yearly.

Financial Blockade

LONDON, June 30.—The financial blockade to prevent money from reaching the enemy is tightening up. Bankers and their financial interests have been requested to exercise increased scrutiny on the various exchange and credit operations.

BOTH WORK FOR A SETTLEMENT IRISH PROBLEM

Carson and Redmond Use Their Influence to Seek Adjustment Irish Crisis—Much Hostility to Lord George's Plan of Settlement is Displayed by Section Unionist Party

NEW YORK, June 30.—A special cable to the World from London says that the prospect that the Cabinet will reach an agreement on Home Rule without any resignations is distinctly better today. Lansdowne is understood to be holding out for guarantees for a Military Secretary of Ireland, under the scheme, which, of course, can be given. Active hostility to the Lloyd George plan of settlement is still being displayed by a strong section of the Unionist rank and file, but the leaders accept it, unless they see the Lords will be likely to take the grave responsibility of trying to defeat it. An amazing feature of the situation is that Carson is using his influence for settlement as strongly as Redmond.

TELL OF NAVAL FIGHT BETWEEN RUSS.-HUN SHIPS

Russian Squadron With Torpedo Boats Was Attacked by German Fleet 15 Miles South of Landsort off Stockholm—Russian Fleet Withdrew as German Reinforcement Reach the Scene

LONDON, July 1.—A despatch to Reuter's Telegram Company from Stockholm says that steamers which arrived in port witnessed a battle on Thursday night 15 miles south of Landsort, south of Stockholm. They report a Russian squadron, with a few torpedo boats and torpedo boat destroyers was attacked by a German fleet, comprising of cruisers and large warship. At the outset, the Germans were unable to defeat the Russians, but eventually reinforcements were obtained, and it is supposed the Russians withdrew northward. The correspondent adds that nothing was visible from the coast of the reported battle, owing to fog, but gun firing was heard throughout the night and at six o'clock this morning a fresh and violent cannonade began.

Hamburg-Am. Line to Build Big Steamers

A Big Turbine Liner Called the Bismark of 56,000 Tons—She Will be World's Greatest Steamer—Other Large Freight Carriers Said to be Under Construction

COPENHAGEN, July 1st.—The General Manager of the Hamburg American line says, his company is building the turbine ship Bismark of 56,000 tons, which will be the world's greatest steamer. It is also building a steamer to be called Tirpitz of 30,000 tons and three other vessels of 22,000 tons each. At Bremen they are building nine vessels, four of them having a carrying capacity of 18,000 tons, being the world's greatest freight steamers. At Flensburg they are building three larger passenger and freight steamers, and at Geestemund two freight steamers of 17,000 tons each for traffic through the Panama Canal.

The Prospero left Nipper's Hr. at 7.45 a.m., bound North.

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APPEALS FOR NEW TRIAL ON 3 GROUNDS

Casement Files Appeal Against Verdict of Guilty of High Treason—Says Chief Justice Erred—That He Did Not Properly Set Forth Defendant's Side of the Case

LONDON, July 1.—An appeal has been filed in the case of Sir Roger Casement, who alleges three reasons for setting aside the verdict of guilty of high treason found against him, under which he was sentenced to death, as follows: First, that no crime has been committed under statute of Edward III, by which Sir Roger was tried, because no such crime as treason without the realm was indicated in the statute; second, the Lord Chief Justice erred in the use of the term "aiding and comforting the enemy"; third, because the Lord Chief Justice in his charge of the jury did not properly set forth the defendant's side of the case. The Home Office announced today



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